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Note:

If an apology is due for emphasizing through repetition the extract below, permit me to say:

Many a vital truth has reached a little farther and seeded itself through a more obscure medium than First Aid.

"The planting of a disproportionately large acreage in any one crop introduces speculative features which unbalance systems of farming. Such planting increases the risk of loss through bad weather, destructive insects and diseases, and exposes the farmer unduly to the hazard of possible adverse conditions. If indulged in throughout any region with such a crop as cotton it makes the farmers of that section too dependent upon world markets, often with disastrous results. It also makes them unnecessarily and uneconomically dependent upon other sections for foods and feedstuffs.

"Each farm, each community, and each section should produce, as far as possible, its own food and feed for the sake of economical production, and to save transportation costs and intervening profits where the purchase must be made from distant sections. In other words, the food and feed of the South should be produced on the farms of the South."

Bradford Knapp.

1. The first part of the report is a general

description of the project and its

purpose and objectives.

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describes the methodology used

in the study.

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describes the results of the study.

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describes the conclusions of the study.

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describes the recommendations of the study.

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describes the limitations of the study.

COUNTY AGENT AND HOME DEMONSTRATION MEETINGS ETC.  
COLLEGE SHORT COURSES AND FAIRS.

ALABAMA

The District Meeting of the Home Demonstration agents will be held as follows:

Mobile	May 5th to 8th inclusive,	Hotel,	Battle House.
Montgomery	" 6th to 9th "	"	Exchange or Gayteague.
Birmingham	" 7th to 10th "	"	Tutwiler.

The Governor of Alabama has appointed five Commissioners to make a study of the public educational system of the State of Alabama and they will serve without compensation.

To promote cooperation in selling farm products Pike county urges county organization among the colored people. Local clubs are organized and meetings will be held on April 18th in school houses or churches.

A request has been made of the railroads south of Richmond, Va., and Cincinnati, Ohio, to give free transportation to caretakers of animals for the Southern Cattlemen's Association at the meeting to be held at Montgomery in 1920, and also in Columbia, S. C. in 1921. Mr. John D. Eldridge of Gregory, Ark., was elected president for the next year at a recent meeting of this association.

ARKANSAS

The District Demonstration agents and Specialists will meet at Fayetteville on May 8th, 9th and 10th with Miss Bonslagel and Miss Powell to receive instructions. During the following three weeks at Fayetteville the district agents will call in their county agents and hold their regular district meetings. Three separate groups of agents being in attendance at these meetings.

Dr. LeFevre of the Bureau of Chemistry will be present at Fayetteville the last week of May and give demonstrations in vinegar making.

Demonstration meetings in egg candling and general handling of eggs will be held from April 15th to May 14th, inclusive. The meeting on the 21st will be held at Plummerville, on the 22nd at Russelville etc. A list of the towns will be furnished to anyone desiring to attend the meetings.

DISTRICT of COLUMBIA

The 14th Census on Farms will be taken on January 1st, 1920, instead of in April, thereby avoiding the busy time of the farmers.

The Department of Agriculture is working with the Census Bureau to have all data as accurate and valuable as possible. The changes in the questions to be asked farmers are being made by a committee composed of the following: L. M. Estabrook, C. W. Thompson, O. E. Baker, L. C. Corbett, F. W. Farley, J. C. Taylor and C. F. Warren of the Department of Agriculture, in conference with the Census Bureau officials.

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DISTRICT of COLUMBIA (cont'd)

The Farm Management committee appointed by Secretary Houston is as follows: Dr. H. C. Taylor of Wisconsin; Geo. F. Warren of Cornell University; Prof. Andrew Boss of University of Minnesota; J. A. Foord of Massachusetts College of Agriculture; J. I. Falkner of Ohio State University; R. L. Adams of University of California; G. I. Christie, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

The Federal Board for Vocational Education is for the service of all wounded soldiers suffering a ten per cent loss of ability.

It would be well to notice that the Massachusetts Agricultural College will repeat for the returning soldiers as many special six weeks short courses in agriculture and horticulture as desired.

The benefit from the Cooperative Livestock Shipping Association is being felt and acknowledged by all members.

Miss E. R. Oberly, Librarian of the Bureau of Plant Industry, requests the authors of articles on subjects of botany or plant pathology to send reprints of their articles promptly after publication to the Library of Plant Industry for the department files and in many cases for circulation.

FLORIDA

The 32nd Annual meeting of the Florida State Horticultural Society will be held at Orlando on May 6th to 9th inclusive.

The semi-annual meeting of the East Coast Chamber of Commerce is to be held at Vero, St. Lucie County, from May 12th to 13th.

GEORGIA

The monthly conference of the District Agents and Specialists will be held at Albany, Georgia, on April 18th and 19th.

The tentative date given for the National Motor Farming Demonstration at Wichita, Kansas, is July 21st, but other Motor Demonstrations will be held at Macon, Georgia and some of the western states. Further information will be given later.

KENTUCKY

A meeting of the Kentucky Shorthorn Breeders' Association will be held at Sharpsburg on May 22nd.

The abundant and fine stands of corn all over Kentucky give wonderful proof of the success of the seed corn campaign. County agents gave lessons in saving corn in Kentucky, and the state claims that the seed campaign was worth many thousands of dollars to the farmers.

For the convenience of the farmers, Kentucky has like Illinois built community sheds along the railroads of the state for the storage of limestone.

LOUISIANA

The district meetings of the Home Demonstration agents will be held at Lafayette from April 28th to May 3rd, and also at Shreveport from May 5th to 10th.

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LOUISIANA (cont'd)

The third term of the Annual Short Course at the Louisiana State University began March 24th and ends June 14th.

The Farmers' Week for this year will be held at the Louisiana State University from July 31st to August 8th. This is the new name for the Farmers' Annual Short Course and the time of meeting has been changed to the summer instead of the winter season as heretofore. While the Farmers' Week is in session there will also be held at the University a general meeting of the livestock interests of Louisiana.

At Baton Rouge on May 7th there will be a meeting of the Dairy interests of the State of Louisiana and a consignment sale of dairy cattle. G. H. Staples will be in charge.

At Alexandria, on May 5th, the first auction sale of shorthorn cattle will be held.

J. A. Sims, beef cattle specialist, warns the Louisiana farmers against making too cheap sales of their cattle.

MISSISSIPPI

Investigational work in stock raising on the southern cut-over lands is to be continue. Mention is made in a leading southern paper that Secretary Houston has just approved a cooperative project with the Mississippi Experiment Station for experimental work in livestock production to be carried on at the Branch Experiment Station at McNeill.

The Mississippi pig club results have stimulated a great interest in pure-bred hogs throughout the state. Attention is called to the number of negro boys in Mississippi interested in pig club work.

A proclamation will be issued by the Governor of Mississippi designating April 25th as "Family Cow Day."

An old students' Commencement will be held on May 24th, 25th and 26th at the A. & M. College of Mississippi. President Smith of the College has invited all who attended the college to return during this time.

NORTH CAROLINA

The meeting of the State Home Demonstration agents will be held at Raleigh from June 2nd to 13th.

Dr. Jehle teaches that crop rotation is the way to hold Wilt and Root Knot diseases in check. Iron and Brabham cowpeas are the only two varieties of legumes that he recommends to be planted on the infested land.

Mr. W. W. Shay of Cruso, former president of the North Carolina Swine Breeders' Association has been selected to head the Swine Extension Work of the Animal Industry Division of North Carolina.

Mr. D. L. Ryder, of North Carolina, suggests that the farmers and ginners organize a Regional Bank and gives outline for the same in the Progressive Farmer of March 29th.

OKLAHOMA

The officers of the Oklahoma Sheep and Wool Growers Association are as follows: James W. Harris, president, Moorewood; A. M. Jackson, vice-president,



OKLAHOMA (cont'd)

Waukomis; M. A. Watkins, secretary and treasurer, Clinton. The office of the State Market Commission is the State House, Oklahoma City.

On April 25th and 26th the Annual Interscholastic Meet of the A. & M. College at Stillwater will give the High School students an opportunity to compete in some interesting contests for valuable prizes.

The name of the Oklahoma Federated Agricultural and Livestock Association will be changed to the State Farm Council or Farmers' Congress. The coming annual meeting will be held the last week in August.

SOUTH CAROLINA

The State Home Demonstration short course will be held at Winthrop College, Rockhill, S. C., from June 6th to 13th, inclusive. There will be 450 women and girls in attendance, five women and five girls from each county in the state. On account of the good work done in the Home Demonstration clubs these women and girls are selected to attend the short course. The day of June 7th is set aside for canning and brining especially. Dr. Bedding of the National Canning Association is requested to attend.

South Carolina will organize separate associations for cattle raising, sheep growing and swine breeding. The leaders of the State Livestock Association for the coming year are R. M. Cooper, president; J. A. Shanklin, vice-president; Thos. O. Lawton, secretary and treasurer.

TENNESSEE

The meeting of the Home Demonstration agents will be held at Knoxville from April 19th to 26th. Prof. O. B. Martin is requested to attend the meeting and make an address on April 24th on the general work, community development and organization.

The East Tennessee Farmers' Convention will be held at Knoxville from May 13th to 15th.

The Farmers' Institute will hold a meeting in Tennessee on May 12th. Official notice of place has not been given as yet.

Deep interest has been shown by the women of Tennessee in the work of beautifying the home and home grounds. This feeling is becoming universal throughout the Southern States and is just one more of the many outcomes of the Home Demonstration work.

The great Southern Automobile show and Exposition will be held at Bristol for one week beginning May 10th to 17th.

TEXAS

The Department of Agriculture Engineering will hold its last courses at the A. & M. College of Texas on April 28th and 29th; June 23rd and 24th; and September 17th and 18th.

Mr. I. W. Hill expects to visit Texas in the interest of the Boys' Club Work about May 20th. He will also visit the states of Virginia, North Carolina and Kentucky during the summer months.

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MEMORANDUM

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TEXAS (Cont'd)

The Texas Breeders' and Fanciers' Association will hold the Bronze Medal show at Dallas on April 18th to 20th.

The Second Annual Texas State Egg Show will be held at Dallas on April 25th to 27th.

The 22nd Annual Session of the Farmers' Congress will be held at the A. & M. College on July 17th, 18th and 19th. Members of the executive committee are Fritz Englehard, president, Eagle Lake; Will B. Munson, vice-president, Denison; M. Falmner, secretary and treasurer, Waco.

The Cooperative Extension Work in Agriculture and Home Economics will hold a county club meeting on April 19th in the District Court Room at Weatherford.

A meeting of the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association is to be held in Dallas on May 15th and 16th. 2,000 ginners will be present at the Coliseum.

Houston will soon have in operation a joint stock Federal Land Bank with a capital of \$250,000.

VIRGINIA

The district meetings of the Home Demonstration agents will be held at Fredericksburg on May 5th to 10th at the Normal School. Miss Keown is on the program for the "Remodeling (cleaning, dyeing etc.) of Clothing" on May 5th at 3 to 4 p. m., and May 6th at 1:30 to 3 p. m.

A district meeting will be held at Harrisonburg Normal School beginning the week of June 2nd.

A letter from Mr. Chas. G. Burr invites Mr. Hill and Mr. Chambers to attend the following three sets of meetings: first, a meeting of the agents held by Mr. Shackelford at Leesburg, Loudoun county on April 15th: second, a series of meetings to be held in Augusta county beginning April 15th, 16th and 17th, further data not given: third, a county meeting of the Civic Leagues to be held at Fincastle in Botetourt county.

The Richmond Chamber of Commerce Registered Dairy Heifer Club, the pioneer dairy club, has been organized by the boys of Virginia. Mr. O. J. Sands of Richmond is doing everything to awaken the interest of the boys in agriculture and stated that the American National Bank would buy for and sell to the boys and girls registered Holstein heifers at cost.

A Farmers' Union has been formed in Culpeper County with nearly 200 members under the presidency of Dr. Slaughter of Mitchels. A Culpeper bank is financing the Culpeper Pig and Calf Club in the interest of the purebred stock for boys and girls.

WEST VIRGINIA

During the week beginning April 14th Miss Keown will meet with the women of West Virginia at the following points, - Charleston, Parkersburg, Point Pleasant, Clarksburg and Huntington.

The County Club and Home Demonstration Agents' Conference of the Prize Winners Course will be held at Morgantown from June 9th to 13th. Mr. I. W. Hill will be a representative of this office.

